



Proclamation

WHEREAS, professional truck drivers deliver safely important goods to every home, community, school, and business in Louisiana and America and travel more than 200 billion miles delivering eight billion tons of freight each year; and

WHEREAS, professional truck drivers have been honored as among the safest drivers on our highways and many have received awards for extraordinary acts of heroism and bravery for saving fellow motorists from injury and death; and

WHEREAS, professional truck drivers are hard-working men and women who serve the communities, schools and businesses of the United States and Louisiana with dedication and without fanfare every day; and

WHEREAS, the economic system of Louisiana and this country rides on the wheels of trucks and depends on the men and women who drive trucks keep that system going.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim, August 21-27, 2005, as

Truck Driver Appreciation Week

in the State of Louisiana in honor of the more than three million men and women in America who deliver our goods by truck for a living. Businesses, schools, communities, churches and other civic organizations are encouraged to hold festivals, fairs, parties, parades, barbecues, banquets and other appropriate events to honor professional truck drivers for the vital role they play in the lives of Americans.



Attest By
The Governor

[Signature]
Secretary of State

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this
the 19th day of August
A.D., 2005.*

Kathleen Babineaux Blanco
Governor of Louisiana